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## Title I Updates

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### *#makingithappen*

Indiana Department of Education hosted a Title I Summit at Light of the World Christian Church in Indianapolis on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Over 450 Indiana Educators were in attendance.

The purpose of the Title I Summit was to bring Indiana Title I schools together to provide leadership and key strategies to improve student achievement.

#### **Participants heard information from:**

Nationally known author and researcher, Dr. Tim Shanahan  
Superintendent Ritz

National Title I Distinguished Schools

High Performing Schools

National Families Learning Center

Participants also received a special performance from Dr. Bernard Watson Academy for Boy's Drum Line.

#### **Check out the Resources from the Summit at the links below:**

Power Points Presented and Resources from the Summit (videos from the event coming soon):

<http://www.doe.in.gov/titlei/title-i-summit-0>

Indiana's Academic Standards: <http://www.doe.in.gov/standards>

Resources for Implementing Indiana's Academic Standards: <http://www.doe.in.gov/standards/resources>



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## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS – 1003(g) – 2014-2015 COHORT 5 AWARDEES

\$8 million dollars was awarded via the Federal School Improvement Grants to seven Indiana schools.

School Improvement Grants are awarded to schools that demonstrate a great need for these funds, as well as a commitment to use these funds to raise achievement levels in low performing schools.

These grants are fully funded by the federal government.

2014-2015 Recipients School and LEA Name	Year 1 Funds (2014-2015)	Year 2 Funds (2015-2016)	Year 3 Funds (2016-2017)	Intervention Model
<a href="#">Chamberlain Elementary School</a> Goshen Community Schools	573,498.35	579,506.80	596,599.15	Transformation
<a href="#">Fairview Elementary School</a> Monroe County Community School Corp	242,416.25	215,775.98	161,066.46	Transformation
<a href="#">Highland Park Elementary School</a> Monroe County Community School Corp	289,631.92	380,098.47	177,392.56	Transformation
<a href="#">Lake Ridge Middle School</a> Lake Ridge School Corporation	291,482.39	232,808.06	214,097.62	Transformation
<a href="#">John L McCulloch Junior High School</a> Marion Community Schools	708,746.43	602,720.68	438,802.09	Transformation
<a href="#">Sarah Scott Middle School</a> Vigo County School Corporation	364,989.45	299,575.45	284,264.95	Transformation
<a href="#">Stonybrook Middle School</a> MSD Warren Township	732,432.65	631,267.35	486,300.00	Transformation

### Have you joined the IDOE - Title I Learning Connection Community?

You can find lots of great resources for Title I – from Schoolwide Plans to Cycle Monitoring to archived Newsletters and PD. Join today: [Learning Connection](#)

### Title I Successes: #makingithappen

If you would like to see your corporation or school featured in a #makingithappen Title I Update, please email [rhavay@doe.in.gov](mailto:rhavay@doe.in.gov) with information about your Title I successes.

### Waiver Corner

The Indiana Department of Education submitted its application for a waiver from aspects of No Child Left Behind June 30, 2014. The application was submitted to the United States Department of Education. A copy of the waiver application can be found here <http://www.doe.in.gov/esec>.

If you have any questions please contact Jeff Coyne at [jcoyne@doe.in.gov](mailto:jcoyne@doe.in.gov). (see [press release](#))



## HOOSIER FAMILY OF READERS

**Who is your reading family?**

<http://www.doe.in.gov/hoosierreaders>

**How can your Title I Summer Program be a Hoosier Family of Readers partner?**

- Sign up at [hoosierreaders@doe.in.gov](mailto:hoosierreaders@doe.in.gov) and let us know about your Hoosier Family of Readers
- Help your students and families access thousands of digital books using myON (access is free for the summer)
- Partner with First Book to get discounted and free books for your students and families

- Host a family literacy event this summer and celebrate reading!

**How can your Title I funds be used?**

- Hire staff to promote literacy through summer programs or literacy events for Title I students and families
- Extend myON access for Title I students beyond the summer.
- Host Title I family literacy events, summer learning, books and materials, and technology.
- Coordinate school & community programs for summer reading



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## TITLE I - GRANTS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION:

### ***SY 2013-2014 Amendments:***

The deadline to submit amendments for 2013-2014 Part A, Part D, 1003(g), and 1003(a) **was May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014**. Amendments are being reviewed and districts are being contacted if there are questions; all amendments will be reviewed and approved prior to reviewing SY 2014-2015 applications. All funds for FY 2014 Title I Part A, Part D, 1003(g), and 1003(a) had to be encumbered by June 30, 2014.

### ***SY 2014-2015 Applications:***

Title I Part A, and Part D SY 2014-2015 applications **were due July 1, 2014**. Applications will be reviewed after all SY 2013-2014 amendments are reviewed and approved. Districts will be contacted if there are questions.

Reminders on allowable expenditures and much more can be found in the Title I Fiscal Guidance Handbook: [CLICK HERE](#) to access the handbook.

### ***New Schoolwide Status:***

Schools that plan to transition from their current Targeted Assistance (TAS) program to a schoolwide program (SWP) for the 2014-2015 school year had to submit an Assurance of Schoolwide Plan to IDOE **by June 30, 2014**. This assurance indicates the school met all criteria during the time the plan was developed and that the plan includes all required schoolwide plan components.

Schools did not need to submit the completed schoolwide plan to IDOE, but **MUST** have the completed schoolwide plan on file at the school for monitoring purposes.

Schools must have a minimum of 40% poverty or be a Focus or Priority school to be eligible to become schoolwide.

A list of newly approved schools will be posted on the Title I webpage: <http://www.doe.in.gov/titlei>. No other approval will be sent to schools at this time.

### ***Questions:***

For questions regarding your basic Title I Part A or Part D grants please contact the grants management specialist assigned to your district. If you are unsure of your assigned specialist, please contact Linda Cummins at [cummins@doe.in.gov](mailto:cummins@doe.in.gov) and she will direct your questions to the appropriate staff member.



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## *Upcoming Professional Development and Advanced Learning Opportunities:*

**eLearning Conferences** – The Summer of eLearning is right around the corner and we hope you will join us for at least one of the 19 conferences around the state! These are excellent opportunities to learn alongside our educators and administrators and experience all of the amazing integration going on in our schools. [Click here for more information.](#)  
Superintendent Ritz will be attending conferences at Center Grove, Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Warsaw.

**Virginia Rojas** is coming to Indiana on July 29, 2014 in Indianapolis! Virginia is the author of *Strategies for Success with English Learners*, which was provided to several attendees at state-led training this year as a state-wide initiative. The workshop will be held from 9:00 – 3:00 at The Perry School Corporation Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227. The cost is \$80. Visit here to register: [https://reg.abcsignup.com/reg/event\\_page.aspx?ek=0005-0003-DBECFC3B7D9E49CC8935461A69CFA410](https://reg.abcsignup.com/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0005-0003-DBECFC3B7D9E49CC8935461A69CFA410)  
[VirginiaRojasFlyer.pdf](#)

**Leadership Development Conference on School, Family, and Community Partnerships.** Presented by the National Network of Partnership Schools. October 23-24, 2014 in Baltimore, Maryland. Attend basic and advanced workshops on research-based approaches to organize partnership programs and practices at the state, district, and school levels. Topics will include: Improve Communications with New Techniques; Increase Community Connections; Engage Families of Children with Special Needs; Ease Transitions to New Schools with Family Engagement; Conduct Age- Appropriate Partnerships with Middle and High Schools; and much more! [www.partnershipschools.org](http://www.partnershipschools.org)

**RISE Teacher Evaluation Training** will be offered at all IN Education Service Centers between June 2014 and September 2014. Below are the scheduled dates and their registration sites:

- East Central ESC: June 25-26, 2014 (<http://www.ecesc.k12.in.us>)
- West Central ESC: July 21-22, 2014 (<http://www.wciesc.k12.in.us>)
- Wilson Center ESC: July 21-22, 2014 (<http://www.wesc.k12.in.us>)
- Region 8 ESC: July 23-24, 2014 (<http://www.r8esc.k12.in.us>)
- Northern Indiana ESC: July 29-31, 2014 (<http://www.niesc.k12.in.us>)
- Wabash Valley ESC: July 29-30, 2014 (<http://www.esc5.k12.in.us>)
- Southern Indiana ESC: August 27-28, 2014 (<http://www.siec.k12.in.us>)
- Northwest Indiana ESC: September 4-5, 2014 (<http://www.nwiesc.k12.in.us>)
- Central Indiana ESC: September 18-19, 2014 (<http://www.ciesc.k12.in.us>)

New Standards, New Resources, New Assessments – check out the information here:

<http://www.doe.in.gov/standards>

<http://www.doe.in.gov/standards/resources>

<http://www.doe.in.gov/elme/wida-english-language-development-eld-standards-framework>

[Assessment Information as of 6-24-14.pdf](#)

[ISTEP+ College-and-Career Ready Sample Items.pdf](#)

<http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment>





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## **Title III – WIDA Supplemental PD Grant Opportunity**

The IDOE Office of English Learning and Migrant Education is pleased to announce a supplemental grant opportunity to assist school districts in the implementation of the WIDA English language development (ELD) standards through the purchase of WIDA materials, training on the WIDA standards, and curricula integration with WIDA.

This brief online application can be found within the attached memo and can be completed in approximately 10 minutes. **The grant due date is July 31, 2014.** Funds must be encumbered by September 30, 2014 and liquidated by December 15, 2014.

This grant opportunity is in addition to a school district's regular Title III or NESP grants. Funding authorizations for each district can be found in the attached document. (\$3.82 per LEP student)

Please reference the memo for further information. If you have any questions, please contact [nwilliamson@doe.in.gov](mailto:nwilliamson@doe.in.gov) or 317-233-0786.

[Memo WIDA Supplemental PD Grant.pdf](#)

[Funding Authorizations: WIDA Supplemental PD Grant.pdf](#)

## **Release of Indiana's WIDA Implementation Guide**

The IDOE Office of English Learning and Migrant Education has created a document titled *Indiana's WIDA Implementation Guide* to provide educators and families a comprehensive resource regarding the WIDA English Language Development (ELD) Standards Framework.

The guide includes a basic overview of the components of the WIDA ELD Standards Framework, sample Indiana lessons using the WIDA ELD standards, important transition guidance regarding assessment, and many frequently asked questions.

This resource is meant to be a living document that will be updated regularly. If you have any questions or comments, please contact [nwilliamson@doe.in.gov](mailto:nwilliamson@doe.in.gov) or 317-233-0786.

A copy of this document can be found in the files/bookmarks > WIDA ELD Standards Framework and at <http://www.doe.in.gov/elme/wida-english-language-development-eld-standards-framework>

[Indiana's WIDA Implementation Guide.pdf](#)

## **WIDA Standards Overview Trainings – two trainings in July in Indianapolis**

The IDOE Office of Early Learning and Migrant Education will be holding part I of the 2014 training to implement WIDE English language development (ELD) standards framework for English Learners on seven dates across the state this summer. Registration is free. [Click Here](#) to register for the training in your area.